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ABSTRACT

This manual is designed to provide the special education and transportation community with one source for both legal and practical information on the transportation of students with disabilities. It provides information on the following topics: (1) the legal context of transportation of students with disabilities; (2) transportation considerations for students with disabilities; (3) characteristics of various disabilities; (4) special factors in transportation, including legal and service factors; (5) the role of the Individualized Education Program (IEP) in transportation, IEP requirements, attendance at IEP meetings, and tips for IEP meetings; (6) the role of the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) for transporting infants and toddlers with disabilities, IFSP requirements, attendance at IFSP meetings, and tips for IFSP meetings; (7) discipline, suspension, and expulsion procedures for students with disabilities; (8) safety considerations for students with disabilities; (9) personnel training; and (10) resources. Appendices include an explanation of the laws affecting transportation (the Fourteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act), a glossary of relevant terms, publications and organizational resources, education regulations, and sample parental consent forms. (CR)

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